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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Comments regarding (a) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic. mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology should be addressed to: Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), OIRA Submission@OMB.EOP.GOV or fax (202) 395-5806 and to Departmental Clearance Office, USDA, OCIO, Mail Stop 7602, Washington, D.C. 20250-7602. Comments regarding these information collections are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30 days of this notification. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720-8958.

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Food and Nutrition Service

TITLE: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program: State Options

OMB CONTROL NUMBER: 0584-0496

SUMMARY OF COLLECTION: The Food, Conservation and Energy Act of 2008, P.L. 110-

246, Section 4001-4002, amended the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 to rename the Food

Stamp Program the "Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). The Act establishes

SNAP as a means-tested program under which needy households may apply for and receive

assistance to supplement their ability to purchase food. The Act specifies national eligibility

standards and imposes certain administrative requirements on State agencies in administering

the program. The program is directly administered by State welfare agencies, which are

responsible for determining the eligibility of applicant households and issuing benefits to those

households entitled to benefits under the Act.

NEED AND USE OF THE INFORMATION: FNS will collect information from State agencies

on how the various SNAP implementation options will be determined. The information

collected will be used by FNS to establish quality control reviews, standards and self-

employment costs.

DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS: State, Local or Tribal Government

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 52

FREQUENCY OF RESPONSES: Recordkeeping; Reporting: Annually

TOTAL BURDEN HOURS: 316

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